

**2005-2006 Winter Storms
Status Report
January 9, 2006 as of 1200 hours**

Summary

The Governor has proclaimed a State of Emergency for 23 counties including Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, Napa, Sacramento, Sonoma, Butte, El Dorado, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sutter, Yolo, Yuba and Trinity Counties. The Office of Emergency Services (OES) is expecting local proclamations from Amador County, Colusa County, the City of Redding, Tulare, Contra Costa, Alpine, Fresno, Alameda and Santa Cruz Counties. Shelters are now closed and the few remaining evacuees have been situated in hotels by the American Red Cross. Preliminary public infrastructure and property damage so far totals approximately \$300 million for 30 counties.

Response, recovery and debris clean-up are now the primary areas of focus. As conditions permit, affected counties are assessing damage to homes, businesses, and public infrastructure. The State Operations Center and the Coastal and Inland Operations Centers are now operating at normal business hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.). The OES Southern Region Operation Center is deactivated.

The Federal Emergency Management Association and OES teams have begun Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) in the following counties: Alameda, Lake, Marin, Nevada, Sonoma and Yuba. Assessments will continue on Monday in Colusa, Mendocino, Placer and Siskiyou counties. Other counties will begin scheduling their PDA's next week.

Ryer Island, Solano County:

Local Reclamation District has requested technical inspection assistance for increasing seepage at multiple sites on the island. The inspector reported that the seepage is normal. Locals monitoring efforts will continue.

Sacramento River near Miller Park, Sacramento County:

A 35 foot section of the levee, about 3 feet thick, has fallen into the river. Active slumping along a larger section (approximately 150 feet), is evident due to the development of several cracks ranging from 3 to 5 feet off the edge of the levee. The City of Sacramento is monitoring the condition of the site and will inform the DWR and the US Army Corps of Engineers of any additional problems. The area is not considered an emergency due to the thickness of the levy at this location.

Sutter Bypass West Levee, Sutter County

Two boils reported Thursday morning, three feet apart in a toe ditch. Water is receding. During recession the boil cones were washed away but now are reforming with cloudy water. Another new quarter (coin) size boil was found last night upslope from the original boils. It had been moving material but is now clear. There is no request for assistance at this time.

Yolo Bypass East Levee, Yolo County:

The DWR Flood Operations Center (FOC) requested technical assistance to investigate multiple slip circles occurring in a newly constructed levee behind Roadway Express (trucking company in West Sacramento). An Army Corps of Engineers Geological Technician will be on-site for inspection.

Napa and Sonoma Counties:

In the Coastal Region, Napa and Sonoma Counties will be opening local assistance centers today and have requested State Assistance. OES is coordinating and verifying this request with Operational Areas.

Delta:

The Department of Boating and Waterways has lifted the boating restriction on the Delta.

Twitchell Island:

A boil or leak occurred near the Department of Water Resources (DWR) Postmark 610+00 and 550+00. Resources and crews from the CA Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) and the CA Conservation Corps (CCC) assisted in the flood fight. Excavators were used to secure the levee structures in the impacted areas. Five CCC crews were sent home yesterday and two will return today to continue sandbagging and repairing boils at Twitchell Island. Four excavators continued pulling support material up the levee face Tuesday; work should be completed by the end of the week. The evacuation order has been lifted and the National Weather Service has cancelled its flood warning.

Staten Island, North Fork Mokelumne River in San Joaquin County:

A large boil was found on 12/31/05. The boil was running dirty water at 50-100 gallons per second. DWR and the US Army Corps. Of Engineers provided technical assistance. The situation has now stabilized.

The Wright-Elmwood Tract in San Joaquin County along Fourteen Mile Slough:

The District Engineer reported a mid-slope leak with a two-foot wide stream of water moving material. The leak was found and stabilized with backhoes and DWR flood fight crews stabilizing the openings. The Wright-Elmwood location has stabilized as water levels have receded and no further assistance has been requested.

Bethel Island:

DWR and Contra Costa County are on scene pumping water from affected area. Power has been restored to Bethel Island.

The State of California has provided resources as follows:

CDF and CCC hand crews have assisted with flood fighting and other emergency protective measures in several of the impacted counties. CDF has hand crews committed in Siskiyou, Sonoma, Humboldt, and Sutter counties. Flood fighting coordination and technical assistance is being provided to local government agencies by the state. As soon as possible, OES will be working with representatives from the affected counties and federal agencies to conduct Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) to determine how the storms affected each of the proclaimed counties.

PDAs are conducted by at least one team focusing on the impacts of the emergency on public facilities and at least one team focusing on the impacts of the emergency on homeowners, renters and business owners, as appropriate to the damages sustained in each county.

Shasta County:

Officials are preparing a proclamation to request Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funding for road damages incurred on highways in the county.

City of Redding (Shasta County):

The City of Redding is expected to proclaim a local disaster and request the Governor's approval based upon \$500,000+ in local damages. Inland Region staff is working with the city in this effort. No information is available on when the request will be formally submitted to state OES.

Amador County:

Amador County is expected to proclaim a local disaster and request the Governor's approval today. Inland region is assisting Amador County to prepare their request for submission. The request is expected to be submitted to state OES today.

Colusa County:

Colusa County is expected to proclaim a local disaster and request the Governor's approval today. The Inland region is working with Colusa on their request which is expected to be submitted to OES today.

San Luis Obispo:

Approximately 3,000 residences have been without power for several days. Fire Type Hand Crews from CDF are assisting with tree removal, road clearing, etc., in order to allow PG&E to repair power lines and restore power. The Cambria

Community Services District is delivering ice to residence for food preservation.
The San Luis Obispo Operations Center is now deactivated.

Twitchell Island in Sacramento County:

On Twitchell Island a boil or leak occurred near DWR Postmark 610+00 that they were having a difficult time securing. Near Postmark 550+00 another leak occurred which was back-cutting the levee and the concern was that it would fail. The boil is no longer flowing and the previous evacuation order has been lifted. With the situation stable the Site and Incident Command Teams have demobilized. Locals monitoring efforts will continue.

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